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Ref: Broadwater LNG Project

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Ms. Salas,

I would like to express my deepest concern at the proposed Broadwater Project in the Long Island Sound and point out that this fragile and protected estuary should not be for sale to commercial interests.

The Long Island Sound is just recovering from significant environmental damage done by too many years of abuse and this project would only industrialize the Sound and give away public resources to foreign commercial interests.

\$500 Million have been invested over the last 10 years to restore the natural beauty and quality of the Sound for future generations. This natural and historical body of water is too vital and important to give away to foreign or domestic companies, even for some perceived energy price benefit that is not even guaranteed.

In addition, by giving away this public resource, it would prohibit public access to areas of the Sound by requiring a security zone around the project. This would impede Long Island Sound's existence as an environmentally friendly recreational body of water and open the door to abuses on other protected estuaries.

As a proof of success in rehabilitating the Sound, it is estimated that \$5.5 Billion a year is generated for the regional economy while providing essential habitat and breeding grounds for many protected species in the area.

Contrary to what independent consultants affirm, LNG is not the solution to address higher energy prices in the US and the North East, especially at the expense of spoiling the natural environment where our families and communities live. The focus should be on renewable energy sources which will reduce our dependence on fossil fuels.

For all these reasons, I urge you not to approve this project.

With Regards,